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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

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| In the Matter of | § | |
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| Developing a Unified Intercarrier | § | CC Docket No. 01-92 |
| Compensation Regime | § | |
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**MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE-FILED COMMENTS
BY THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

On March 3, 2005, the Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued a *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (“FNPRM”). The FNPRM seeks comment on intercarrier compensation reform, including regarding the legal and economic bases on the seven reform proposals submitted by industry groups, and whether and how each reform proposal would affect network interconnection, end-users, and universal service, and preemption of state jurisdiction over intrastate access charges, among other issues. Comments to the FCC are due on May 23, 2005.

The intricacy of the comments currently being developed by Staff, the biennial Texas legislative session, combined with the current Open Meeting schedule of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, may prevent us from providing comments to the FCC’s FNPRM before May 23, 2005. In an abundance of caution, we therefore request approval of a motion to accept late-filed comments.

Respectfully submitted,

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